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Subject: North Coast Re: Proposition 50 Funding

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Attachments:

Thank you for your comments. They will be taken into consideration.

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I have heard that there is an opportunity for public comment regarding allocation of proposition 50 funding. I don't know if this is the right place to send these comments but I will try anyway.

I am very much against allocating \$3,5000,000 to the proposed Monte Rio Sewer Project. This would do a dis-service to persons that voted for a proposition that was supposed to help the environment since the MRSP is, in my opinion, a development project disguised as a "clean water" project and would result in the development of 200 parcels of land not only in a flood plain, but in a sensitive riparian corridor. This would inevitably result in more environmental degredation, not less. In addition, the county of Sonoma proposes to run a sewer line for ths project over the Monte Rio Bridge, a structure that the Countys own Division of Roads and Bridges considers to be seismically unsafe. Should the bridge fail, this would result in untreated wastewater pouring directly into the Russian River. Additionally, the proposed yearly cost of this project, \$1197.38 is absolutely unaffordable to senior citizens and others on a fixed income.

Thank you for your time

Dennis O'Rorke



* If this is not the correct destinaton for these comments could you please forward them to the rigjht place? Thank you.